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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is herewith filed in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on August 26, 2005 (hereinafter "the August 26 Office Action") for the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. This paper is deemed to be filed within the shortened statutory period (since November 26, 2005 fell on a weekend) and no petition or fee for an extension of time is required. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken, please consider this a petition for any extension of time that may be required to maintain the pendency of this Patent Application, and charge deposit account no. 50-0510 for any required fee deficiency.

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